

STARR & PATTON WIN CHANDLER CONTEST CASE

Starr & Patten have been advised by the secretary of the interior that the Cherokee allotment contest case of S. R. Lewis, administrator of the estate of John Nalls, deceased, vs. John P. Chandler, has been decided by Secretary Ballinger in favor of their client John P. Chandler.

This decision sets a new precedent in land contest cases. About three years ago the department decided in a Chickasaw allotment contest case that where either party sold his land after contest was instituted he thereby abandoned his right to the land and could not maintain the contest case.

In the case of Nalls vs. Chandler it was discovered after the trial that the contestee Chandler had sold to J. W. Orr fifty acres of the eighty acres involved in the controversy. Warranty deed was placed on record showing the sale, but at the trial of the case the contestants made no point of this, and the land was awarded to Chandler. Nalls appealed, and the decision of the commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes was affirmed by the commissioner of Indian affairs. Lewis then employed a Washington law firm and they raised the question of the sale of the land and moved for a new trial.

Secretary Ballinger in affirming the two decisions below in favor of Chandler said:

"Another point raised by the appellant in his motion is that contestee abandon his rights by executing a deed of this property to one Orr. The deed, however, was of record long before the trial and, if material, those facts could have been brought into the record at that time. But if appellant ought to prevail in this contest, he must rely on the strength of his own title and not on the weakness of the contestee's title. Chandler is an intermarried white—one of the class having citizenship rights, competent to alienate his interest in the land. What he did in respect to his allotment creates no superior right to the land in contestant. The latter must stand on the existence of a preference right in him, and that in turn depends upon his ownership and possession of the improvements prior to selection by contestee. The evidence failing to show possession, no preference right existed."

20 SUFFRAGETTES ARRESTED FOR SMASHING WINDOWS

By Associated Press.

London, England, Nov. 25.—Twenty suffragettes who were arrested during the night for smashing windows in the residences of government officers were sentenced in Bow street police court today, to two months each at hard labor. In pronouncing sentence, Sir Albert D. Ruthean, chief magistrate of the metropolitan police courts said, "You disorderly women have been treated with too much leniency in the past."

Debate at High School.

The high school literary societies met on Wednesday afternoon and rendered a very creditable program, consisting of music, recitations and a debate. The question was, "Resolved, That the State Should Furnish Free Text Books." Roy Bishop and Robert Maddox supported the affirmative, Johnson Britt and Vance Kengle the negative. The affirmative won. Steps are being taken to form a regular debating team, to contest the palm of oratory with other high schools in the state.

Quiet in Mexico.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 25.—Everything was quiet between El Paso and Mexico City when the trains came through which reached El Paso from Mexico City this morning, according to the passengers, all telegraph wires are in operation and there is no fighting.

Indictment in Graft Cases.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 25.—Frank B. Harriman, John Tyler and C. H. Ewing former officers and employees of the Illinois Central railroad, and Joseph E. Buker, were indicted today by the Cook county grand jury for conspiracy in connection with frauds said to have been practiced against the railroad.

MULATTO IS ACCUSED OF MURDERING MINISTER

By Associated Press.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 25.—The coroner's jury will today view the body of Rev. Amzi Armstrong and his wife, who were murdered at their home near here Wednesday night. The testimony will be taken December 9th. John Sears, the son of the housekeeper employed by the Armstrongs has been arrested charged with the crime. Sears is a mulatto and lived with his mother. Since the arrest he is surly and refuses to talk. The negro borrowed a shot gun from a neighbor Wednesday, saying he was going hunting. He says he was at New Brunswick Wednesday night, but it is alleged that he was seen near the Armstrong home about nine o'clock that night.

SURRENDER OF MUTINEERS CLEARED THE SITUATION

By Associated Press.

Rio Janeiro, Brazil, Nov. 25.—The capital slept last night with the guns of its own navy trained upon the city. The mutineers remained master of the situation. Towards one o'clock this morning one of the ships of the mutinous fleet fired upon the naval arsenal for a short time, but no damage was done. Another cruiser has joined the battleships, Minas, Gornes and sao Paulo and the scout Bahia in the revolt. Today's session of the chamber of deputies was awaited with anxiety, but the vote of amnesty and the surrender of the mutineers cleared the situation. The demands of the men were granted.

"PUSSYFOOT" MAY BE CALLED.

Move on Foot to Secure Famous Officer to Stop Liquor Sales.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Nov. 25.—William E. Johnson, better known to Oklahoma as "Pussyfoot," whose name is a terror to bootleggers and other peddlers of illicit whiskey, may come to Oklahoma a second time to stop the sale of liquor to Indians. Efforts are being made by the Anti-Saloon League to have him sent back.

E. C. Dinwiddie, of the National Anti-Saloon League, who was in Oklahoma three years ago, has returned and is in conference with the state leaders. He has been in conference with Johnson in the northwest country, where Johnson has wrought havoc with the state line saloons in the Indian reservations. Dinwiddie is getting in touch with the local conditions. Johnson is a special enforcement officer for the department of the interior, and his headquarters at Denver, Col., but has confined his operations largely to the Montana and Wyoming reservations. While here three years ago, he organized a flying squadron of special deputy marshals and smashed hundreds of booze joints on the east side in an effort to break up the illicit traffic.

Three Persons Wounded.

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 25.—Three persons were wounded in a rain of bullets today, in a riot caused by striking garment workers attacking non-union workers on the northeast side of the city. Vincent Ballen and wife, rioters, were arrested by the police.

BANKERS BANQUET AT COBB HOTEL

"This is the first time I ever had a transaction with an aggregation of bankers and felt that I had gotten the best of it. I have had a good deal to do with bankers, but it has been outside the window looking into their cold and unsympathetic faces while I talked to them of such matters as protested checks, over drafts, etc., and I never dreamed they could thaw out like this."

The speaker was Hon. Seymour Riddle, responding to the toast of "The International Bank & Trust company," at the banquet of the "Orr Group," last night, at the Hotel Cobb. The dining-room was gaily festooned in red and green, and the smiling faces of the men, the beautiful dresses of the ladies, and the well-supplied tables, made an occasion good to look upon. About ninety-seven people ate, and about eighteen of these had to pay for their feed by doing oratorical stunts. Congressman-elect James S. Davenport was toastmaster.

The Cherokee National Bank and the International Bank and Trust company were the hosts. Guests represented the First National Bank and the Colonial Trust company of Tulsa; Union Bank and Trust company, of Chelsea; First State Bank of Alluwee; Miami Trust and Savings Bank, Bank of Big Cabin; Guarantee State Bank and Kiefer State Bank of Kiefer; Oklahoma State Bank of Preston, and Farmers and Merchants Bank of Centralia.

Between courses, and after the dinner was over representatives of each of these institutions responded to toasts, as follows:

International Bank and Trust Co., Hon. Seymour Riddle; Cherokee National Bank, B. A. McFarland; First National Bank of Tulsa, J. H. Simmons; Colonial Trust Co., E. L. Orr; Union Bank and Trust Co., Chelsea, W. J. Strange; First State Bank, Alluwee, O. C. Chapman; Miami Trust and Savings Bank, A. K. Wilder; Afton Exchange Bank, J. H. Melton; Bank of Big Cabin, R. E. Lee; Guarantee State Bank, Kiefer, T. J. Sullivan; Kiefer State Bank, Mr. Bailey; Oklahoma State Bank, Preston, B. F. Brown; Farmers and Merchants Bank, Centralia, John A. Wise.

Mr. Orr was introduced about midnight, and made a characteristically straight-from-the-shoulder speech, consisting partly of advice to Mr. Davenport as to what he should advocate in congress for relieving the country from the danger of panics.

A flash-light photograph and cigars in the lobby concluded a very pleasant and profitable evening.

The following guests were at the tables:

International Bank & Trust Co.: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Orr, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Frazee, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Warner, A. A. Scott, J. J. Gaston, W. P. Farley, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Riddle, Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wimer, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. S. Davenport.

Cherokee National Bank: Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. McFarland, Asa R. Conner, Miss Ethel Wolfe, Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Frayser, Dr. L. W. Trout and wife, Afton, L. P. Trout.

First National Bank, Tulsa: Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gordon, J. H. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Schultz, Mr. A. F. Hendren, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Stewart, W. L. Wall, Leroy Bernbrock, Edwin Young, Ben Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Cline, Master Harold Orr.

Colonial Trust Company, Tulsa: Mr. E. L. Orr, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Earns, Mr. B. E. Capps, Vinita.

Union Bank & Trust Co., Chelsea: W. J. Strange, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Runyan, Miss Cooda Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Quigley.

First State Bank, Alluwee: Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Chapman.

Miami Trust & Savings Bank: Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Trapp, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Haufbauer.

Afton Exchange Bank: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Young, J. H. Melton, Miss Bertha Young.

Bank of Big Cabin: Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee.

Guarantee State Bank, Kiefer: T. J. Sullivan, Joe Sullivan, Stella and Agnes Sullivan.

Oklahoma State Bank, Preston: Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Brown, Tom Roach.

Visiting friends: Chas. Berner, Tulsa; Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Pershing, Vinita; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Thompson,

COMMERCIAL CLUB WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Mr. A. G. Smith, of St. Charles, Mo., talked shoe factory to the Commercial Club Wednesday night, and had a conference yesterday morning with a committee of the club consisting of Dr. Oliver Bagby, Dr. E. B. Frayser, and W. H. Kornegay.

The meeting of the club was called to order by President Wilson at 8:20. After some routine business, Mr. Wilson referred to the matter of the capital location, asking an expression of the club's views concerning the position Vinita ought to take in the fight. Everybody seemed afraid to tackle the proposition. While they were hesitating, Mr. Smith came in, and was at once introduced as the speaker of the evening.

Mr. Smith proved a good talker, but after he asked the club to raise \$150,000 capital to establish a shoe factory in Vinita, the interest lagged. One member of the club went to sleep at that point, leaving orders to be called at the close of the proceedings. Mr. Wilson expressed the opinion that Mr. Smith had asked too much. A proposition to start a small shoe factory, with a moderate capital, to be increased as the business grew might be considered.

Mr. Smith came back with a lot of statistics concerning successful shoe factories, and an exhibit of shoes. He made it perfectly plain that he was asking no bonus. He simply wished the citizens to invest their money in the business, and spoke of putting in \$10,000 of his own, and bringing several hundred good families to the town from St. Charles, Pontiac, Mich., and the east.

Dr. W. G. Williams and Dr. E. B. Frayser spoke encouragingly of Mr. Smith's proposition. Several members of the club asked questions. But the shock of being asked for \$150,000 had cast a gloom over the meeting which nothing could dispel.

Mr. Smith was anxious for prompt action, as he said he had other propositions under advisement. So a committee was appointed, consisting of Drs. Oliver Bagby and E. B. Frayser, and A. L. Churchill, to meet Mr. Smith at 9 o'clock yesterday morning, in the club rooms. Mr. Churchill being out of town, Mr. Kornegay was invited to serve in his place. The committee told Mr. Smith that they didn't care to go into any blind deal, but if he wanted to come down here and invest some of his own money, he would undoubtedly find men here to go in with him.

Mr. Smith who had been brought here by Dr. W. G. Williams went home yesterday.

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF WATERWAYS ASSOCIATION

By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 25.—The annual convention of the Lakes to the Gulf Deep Waterway Association began today in the first regiment armory and will continue until late tomorrow. The attendance was as large as at any previous convention. Prominent among the delegates and guests are United States senators, congressmen and several governors of states. Reports of the secretary and treasurer and the address of President W. K. Kavanaugh of St. Louis were principal business of the morning session. Workers from New Orleans and San Francisco are circulating among the delegates, seeking approval of their home cities for the Panama Exposition.

Two Injured in Hotel Fire.

By Associated Press.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 24.—In a wild scramble to escape from the flames which destroyed Youngs Hotel at Winthrop Beach today, a mother and son leaped from a window, and were so badly injured that probably neither will recover. The thirty-five remaining guests escaped uninjured. The hotel was burned to the ground, together with the garage in the rear, and two adjoining cottages. The total loss will probably be more than \$50,000. The injured were Mrs. John C. Beggs and her son John Beggs, Jr., of Springfield.

Adair, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lang, Topeka, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Heber Skinner; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wise; F. S. E. Amos, Chas. B. Mitchell.

Death of Mrs. Worrell.

Mrs. J. S. Worrell died yesterday morning at the home of her husband, No. 337 South Wilson street, early yesterday morning. Mrs. Worrell had been ill for some time.

The deceased came here from Pittsboro, Ind., about two years ago. Her husband and an eighteen-year-old daughter, Myrtle, mourn her loss.

The funeral services were held this afternoon, at 3 o'clock, Rev. A. J. Williams officiating.

TEN MEN ARE PAROLED FROM KANSAS PENITENTIARY

By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 25.—Ten men convicted of various crimes and sentenced to the United States penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kans., for terms ranging from one to twenty-one years, have been released on parole. These are the first releases to be made under the law passed at the last session of congress providing for paroles. In announcing paroles it will be the policy of the department of justice not to make public the names of the men or the names of the crimes of which they were convicted. The released are Rudolph Bailey, D. Killingsworth, Ralph E. Yerkes, Angelo Brondo, Wesley A. Martin, Julian J. Klein, William Nelson, Jonas Kedfar, J. S. Summers and Thomas E. Brach.

TESTIMONY ENDS IN KICKAPOO LAND CASE

By Associated Press.

Guthrie, Okla., Nov. 25.—A great surprise was introduced into the Kickapoo land case today when Mrs. M. J. Bentley testified that B. B. Blankeny, one of the attorneys for the defendants, offered to dismiss the bribery charges against her husband if she would convey to the defendant her interests in certain Kickapoo lands. The testimony of Mrs. Bentley ended the evidence in the case.

Banker Suicides.

By Associated Press.

Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 25.—Samuel T. Withers, 55 years old, second vice president of the First National Bank, committed suicide in the hospital here today by shooting himself through the head. He has been on sick leave from the bank since July.

THE FIRST ANNUAL OPEN MEETING OF THE P. E. O.

Another lodge, the B. I. Ls., was launched in town Wednesday night, but if literal compliance with the obligation is insisted upon it will never get anywhere or have much fun—members must get home by midnight.

The occasion was the first annual open meeting of the P. E. O. (propos every opportunity) chapter. Mrs. John R. Scott opened her home for the occasion and with the assistance of her P. E. O. sisters made the B. I. Ls. (brother-in-laws) as uncomfortable for a half hour or so as the ingenuity of a dozen versatile brains could devise.

The proceedings were begun with the opening ode, "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight." Subsequent developments verified the prophecy. While the "boys" were being put through all sorts of stunts a vicious looking sister (they were all enveloped in gowns and hood) kept turning the friendly gridiron (waffle-iron) and displaying a miscellaneous collection of small hardware, embracing chairs, pokers, wolf traps, nail claws and the like, properly labeled "implements of torture."

When the sisters-in-law, under the leadership of Mrs. F. M. Gwinnup, had baited the candidates to the content, the robes were ren refreshments served which were ample compensation for the preceding torment. After the refreshments, Miss Stevens gave several humorous recitations. The house was tastefully decorated in the P. E. O. colors, yellow and white.

New York Financier on Mexican Affairs.

By Associated Press.

New York, Nov. 25.—Arthur E. Stillwell, president of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railway, and connected with important Mexican interests, declared today that there had been nothing in Mexico which was entitled to be called a "revolution." There had been some disturbances, he conceded, but the story of a widespread uprising was a pure "fake," concocted by parties who had financial interests to serve by depressing Mexican securities.

Shot While Hunting.

By Associated Press.

Abeline, Kans., Nov. 25.—While shooting pigeons east of here yesterday Ben Arkwright, of Chapman, Kans., was killed by Roy Taylor.

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